MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 3, 2003

TO: Facility Wardens

FROM: Cary Adragna, MSI Sales Manager

SUBJECT: Modified SofLine Chairs - Security Use

MSI now produces a modified SofLine chair with multi-adjustable features that has been developed by MSI for use behind the security perimeter of prisons. These chairs are for 24 hour use and can be easily adjusted throughout the day for use by different sized correctional employees, particularly for employees who need special adjustments. These chairs are fire retardant and have washers welded on the ends of the levers to keep the possibility of prisoners removing them to a minimum. The special welding is done at our control supplier's factory and meets all ANSI/BIFMA construction standards.

The SofLine chairs are constructed using the latest in comfort technology. The new chairs have the following features: three arm styles; and two seat and four back cushion sizes. The chairs also have seat pan depth adjustment. Headrests are not available. A special fire liner fabric is used between the cushion and the outside fabric which meets the Life Safety Code standards recommended by MDOC Office of Fire Safety. CFA approved this chair in January 2001.

The basic price of the chair has increased by only \$40.00 over a comparable SofLine chair. This covers the cost of the **three welded paddle ends** and **fire-retardant fabric liner**.

MSI also recommends that "TUF-Cop" chairs, when used behind the security perimeter, be ordered with the fire retardant liner and a welded paddle control.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Sales Department at (517) 373-4277.

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